

**State of Alaska
FY2007 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Public Safety
Fire Service Training
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Fire Service Training

Contribution to Department's Mission

Prepare and support local fire and rescue agencies in emergency response activity.

Core Services

1. Training and certification of local fire and emergency responders.
2. Adoption of national fire training standards and the development of curriculum based on those standards.
3. Accreditation of emergency response training programs based on national training standards.
4. Technical assistance to communities regarding the organization, training, and response capabilities of their local departments.
5. Management of U.S. Fire Administration programs for Alaska including all National Fire Academy courses and the Anti-Terrorism Response Training program.
6. Training of Alaska Emergency Response groups including the U.S. Coast Guard shipboard firefighters, cruise line fire response teams, and other industrial fire brigade response teams.
7. Fire and emergency response information management and statistics.
8. Develop rural fire protection practices and the means to achieve their implementation.

FY2007 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2007 Component Budget: \$2,191,800	Personnel:	
	Full time	8
	Part time	1
	Total	9

Key Component Challenges

Until the Alaska Fire Standards Council is funded, the Fire Service Training component will continue to assume the functions and responsibilities of the council. These functions include accreditation of local fire department training programs, certification of firefighters and instructors, and assistance to develop new certifications based on national standards.

Most small rural fire departments do not possess staff members that are fully qualified or experienced. These limitations and lack of equipment pose an extreme challenge for the community. As their primary source of technical assistance, education, and training, Fire Prevention needs to assist them whenever possible. Programs such as the Rural Basic Firefighter program supported by Alaska Village Initiatives and, when available, other federal funds/grants will be used to fund this assistance.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2007

Fire Prevention will continue to support and train fire service personnel throughout the state. With the limited staff, this support will be prioritized based upon the needs of the communities. The number of rural training courses conducted under Project Code Red will continue to increase and training will continue with contract instructors. This project is funded through a combined training initiative between a number of federal agencies, Fire Service Training, and Alaska Village Initiatives. Presently, through the resources of Project Code Red, funding is available for initial equipment purchase and training, but continued support and assistance is not available.

Through the US Department of Agriculture and the Denali Commission, Fire Prevention has received funding to conduct a needs analysis for rural Alaska fire protection. This objective report outlines the need to establish an Office of Rural Fire Protection within the Division of Fire Prevention. Fire Prevention will use this document to actively seek federal funds in the establishment of this office. The office will concentrate efforts to provide technical assistance and specialized training to low income rural communities for the specific purpose of establishing and maintaining a local fire department and emergency response organization. Fire Prevention's hope is to reinforce Project Code Red communities with follow-up training and oversight support through the Office of Rural Fire Protection. Additionally, Fire Prevention will continue to identify, support, and provide solutions to communities where Project Code Red is not the solution to a well-established emergency response organization.

Training with established departments will continue and increase with emphasis on the basic elements of structural, marine, and industrial firefighting, and leadership.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2005

- Provided training and certification for firefighters from Alaska's emergency response agencies. Alaska has over 5,700 volunteer and paid firefighters responding through out the state.

Certification Levels	Certified in 2005
Firefighter I and II	305
Marine Firefighter	46
Fire Officer I	0
Fire Instructor	183
Rural Basic Firefighter	192
Fire Investigator	16

- Assisted the following local fire departments in meeting their training accreditation goals:

Anchor Point FD	Anchorage FD	Ted Stevens Int. Airport FD
Conoco/Phillips FD	Barrow FD	Bethel FD
British Petroleum FD	Capital City Fire/Rescue	Central Emergency Services
Central MatSu FD	Chena Goldstream FD	Chugiak FD
Cordova FD	Girdwood FD	Homer FD
Kenai FD	Ketchikan FD	MatSu Borough Public Safety
North Pole FD	North Star FD	Palmer FD
PRISM Fire Training Center	Seward FD	Skagway FD
Steese Area FD	Univ. of Alaska Fire Science	Univ. of Alaska FD
Valdez FD	Tri-Valley FD	Nome FD
Whittier Tunnel FD	Sitka FD	Fairbanks Int. Airport FD

- Processed and reported fire and emergency incident reports from departments across the state. The division reported them for inclusion into the national fire incident reporting database and provided feedback reports to departments and user groups based on this incident data.
- Assisted the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association and the Alaska State Firefighters Association in the preparation and delivery of their statewide training conferences.

- Provided fire training to new Village Public Safety Officers at the Public Safety Training Academy.
- Provided Rural Basic Firefighter Training in 32 communities. Since the inception of the program, training has been provided in 69 communities. A total of 86 communities are presently part of Project Code Red. Advanced training was presented in Fairbanks, King Salmon, and Kenai for all Project Code Red communities, as well as others.
- Provided technical assistance to countless departments and communities.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

- (1) Arson Information (AS 21.89.050)
- (2) Criminal Law (AS 11.46.400-490)
- (3) Fire Prevention (AS 18.70.010 - 18.70.300)
- (4) Reporting of Certain Injuries (AS 08.64.369)
- (5) State Aid to volunteer fire departments not in organized municipality (AS 29.60.130)
- (6) State Regulation of Fireworks (AS 18.72.010 - 18.72.060)

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Fire Service Training Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	485.7	660.0	692.4
72000 Travel	111.6	293.9	293.9
73000 Services	347.6	863.4	873.5
74000 Commodities	110.9	323.0	323.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	9.0	9.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,055.8	2,149.3	2,191.8
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	107.8	591.9	599.7
1004 General Fund Receipts	422.0	449.0	472.6
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	2.4	56.6	56.6
1061 Capital Improvement Project Receipts	4.2	0.0	0.0
1108 Statutory Designated Program Receipts	431.4	932.9	944.0
1156 Receipt Supported Services	88.0	118.9	118.9
Funding Totals	1,055.8	2,149.3	2,191.8

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	107.8	591.9	599.7
Interagency Receipts	51015	2.4	56.6	56.6
Statutory Designated Program Receipts	51063	431.4	932.9	944.0
Receipt Supported Services	51073	88.0	118.9	118.9
Capital Improvement Project Receipts	51200	4.2	0.0	0.0
Restricted Total		633.8	1,700.3	1,719.2
Total Estimated Revenues		633.8	1,700.3	1,719.2

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2006 Management Plan to FY2007 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2006 Management Plan	449.0	591.9	1,108.4	2,149.3
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY 07 Wage Increases for Bargaining Units and Non-Covered Employees	6.8	2.2	3.2	12.2
-FY 07 Health Insurance Cost Increases for Bargaining Units and Non-Covered Employees	0.8	0.4	0.4	1.6
-FY 07 Retirement Systems Cost Increase	12.6	4.1	5.9	22.6
Proposed budget increases:				
-Risk Management Self-Insurance Funding Increase	3.4	1.1	1.6	6.1
FY2007 Governor	472.6	599.7	1,119.5	2,191.8

**Fire Service Training
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
<u>FY2006</u>				
<u>Management</u>		<u>FY2007</u>		
<u>Plan</u>		<u>Governor</u>		
		Annual Salaries		424,148
Full-time	8	COLA		11,899
Part-time	1	Premium Pay		4,603
Nonpermanent	0	Annual Benefits		251,791
		<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>		(0)
		Lump Sum Premium Pay		0
Totals	9	Total Personal Services		692,441

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk II	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative Clerk III	2	0	0	0	2
Fire Training Admin	1	0	0	0	1
Fire Training Specialist	3	1	1	0	5
Totals	7	1	1	0	9